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# 4 - Bedroom FARMHOUSE

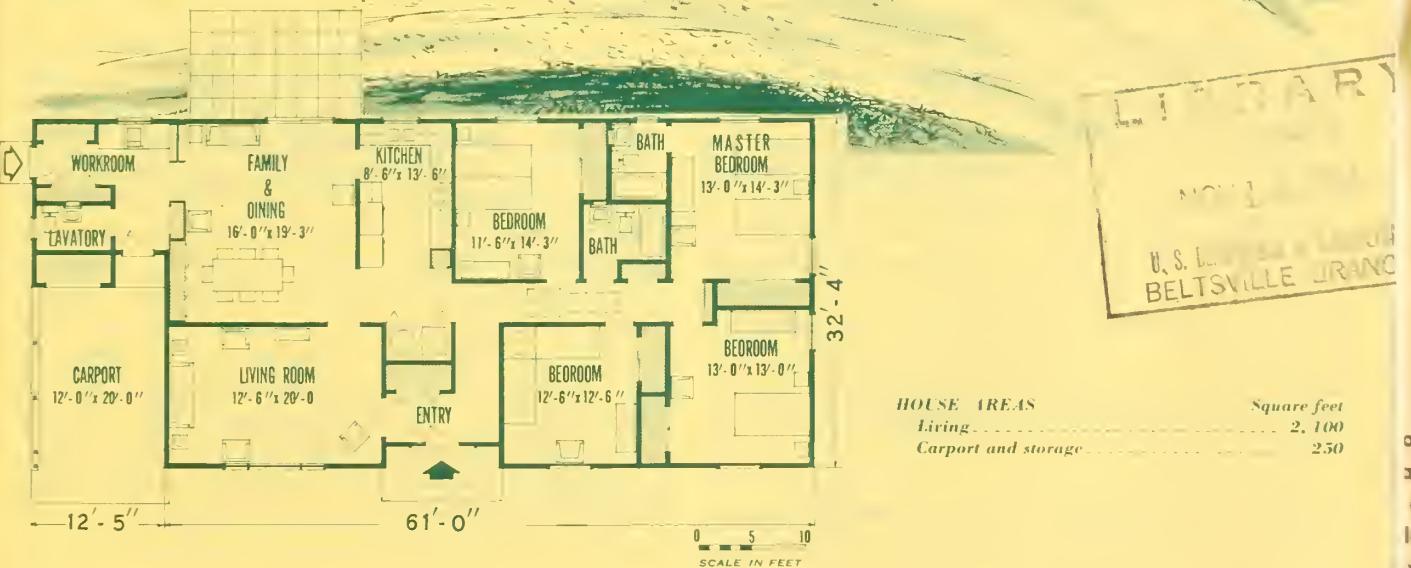
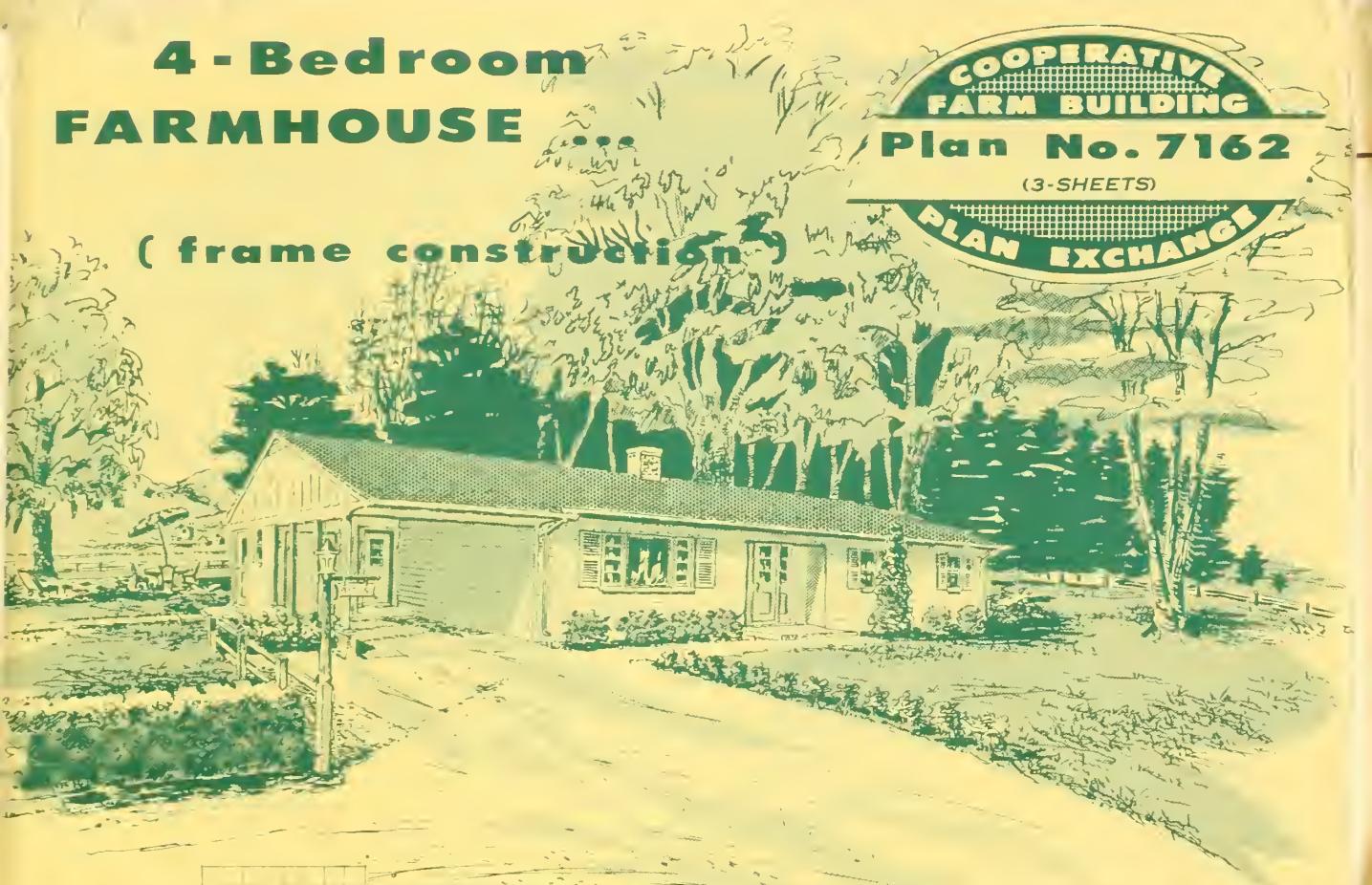
COOPERATIVE  
FARM BUILDING

Plan No. 7162

(3-SHEETS)

PLAN EXCHANGE

(frame construction)



The low-pitched roof, horizontal wood siding, and attached carport blend harmoniously in this one-story house to provide an appealing exterior. Simple lines of this design created for a level or gently sloping site give a feeling of permanence. The recessed front door with its side lights not only gives protection from the weather but also adds design interest to the front elevation.

The rectangular plan is economical to construct be-

cause of the ease of excavating, erecting walls and partitions, and roof framing. The roof is framed with trusses with 4" in 12" pitch and 2'-0" overhang. Conventional framing may be used if desired.

To allow for greater flexibility in design and use of materials, the working drawings show alternate wall sections using brick veneer with slab-on-grade or crawl space.

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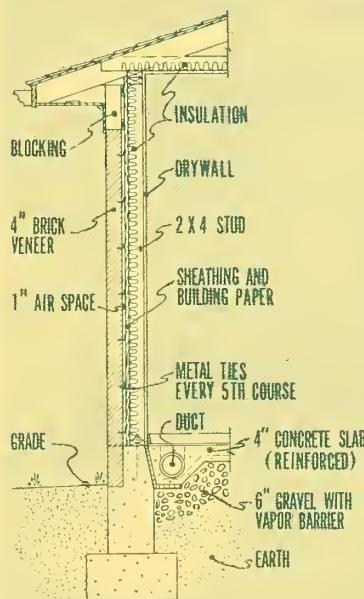
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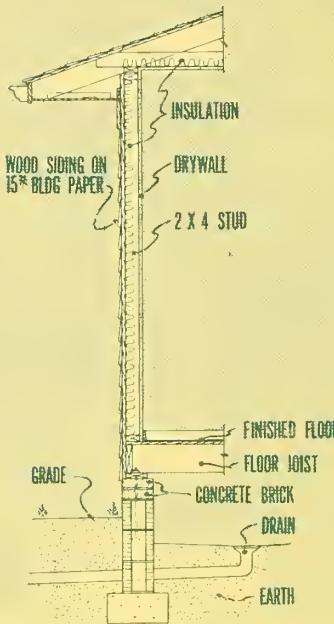
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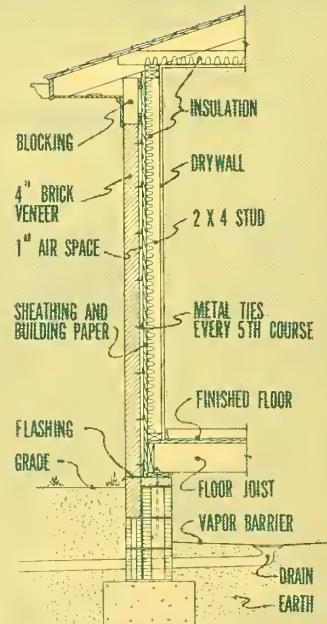
# alternate wall sections



**BRICK VENEER**  
slab-on-grade



**FRAME**  
with crawl space



**BRICK VENEER**  
with crawl space

An especially desirable feature of this house plan is the well-lighted front entry hall with its adjoining coat closet. From this hallway one can go to the kitchen, living room, or bedroom area. Since there are no major traffic lanes through the living room it lends itself to attractive and convenient furniture arrangement.

The dining area and the family room are combined in this plan. The table is placed at the end of the room near the living room—convenient to the kitchen but separated from it. This separation is a desirable feature, especially since there is only one indoor dining area. The terrace, accessible by sliding glass doors from the family room, is also convenient to the food preparation area.

The kitchen is arranged as a broken U with the refrigerator and upright freezer on the wall that screens the kitchen from the family room. Space is provided for a dishwasher to the left of the sink. The plan suggests a revolving base cabinet in the corner between the sink and the surface cooking units to make maximum use of available space.

The sleeping area has four generously sized bedrooms with sufficient closet space to meet the requirements established through regional and USDA research. The two complete bathrooms located next to each other permit economy in plumbing. One bathroom opens from the master bedroom and the other from the hallway.

Linen storage is convenient to the bathrooms and the bedrooms. A shallow shelf unit which could be used for children's books and toys is shown at the end of the hall.

The location of the heaters as shown allows for even distribution of heat and economic supply of hot water. This establishes the location of the chimney so that it adds to the outward appearance of the house.

The area behind the carport includes a lavatory, a workroom with laundry facilities, and storage for canned foods, work clothes, and cleaning equipment. A lavatory at the back entrance is especially convenient for farm families for cleanup after gardening and field-work. It is also convenient for families with small children. The entrance from the carport to the family room through this area is handy for bringing in groceries and other supplies from the car. There also is a door from the workroom directly to the outside.

Storage for garden tools, lawn mowers, and outdoor furniture is provided at the rear of the carport.

Complete working drawings may be obtained through your county agent or from the Extension agricultural engineer at most State agricultural colleges. There is usually a small charge.

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If the working drawings are not available in your State, write to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering Research Division, Plant Industry Station, Beltsville, Md. The U.S. Department of Agriculture does not distribute drawings, but will direct you to a State that does distribute them.

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